

may the blessing of heaven go with you as you change your home, your church relation in one congregation for that of another. May the sad parting with loved ones at the old home be sweetened with the happy greetings of dear ones in the new. May your new labors be both profitable and pleasant in the Master's cause, is our prayer. Pray for us in our work that the Conference year upon which we have just entered may be one of profit in the Master's cause. Fraternally yours,

D. A. HOPKINS,

Twelve Mile, Ind.

FROM KECKSBURG, PA.

DEAR EVANGELIST:—As I have been silent for a while, I again ask admittance in the columns of the EVANGELIST. On Sept. 8th, 1894, we had our Children's Day at Laurel Run, Union Sunday school, and had a pleasant time. J. M. Ritter, the superintendent, gave the address of welcome after which brother S. W. Wilt gave a response. We were also ably addressed by our pastor, W. A. Harman. The same evening our protracted effort began with bros. Wilt and Harman and continued till the evening of the 24th. Brother Wilt held forth the word with great power and zeal, and the immediate result was two by baptism and one by relation. We have an evergreen Sunday school, the first that was ever held at this place. Brother Harman was chosen delegate to State Convention held at Aleppo, Pa. Brother J. M. Ritter as delegate to represent the Sunday school. We arrived at Bridgeport, or Aleppo, on Thursday evening about 7 P. M., Oct. 11th, 1894, and formed the acquaintance of many brethren and sisters with whom we had never met and was royally received and entertained by the good brethren and sisters of Aleppo. I also had the pleasure of meeting our beloved brother T. L. Phillips, of the Highland congregation, Washington County, and also brother W. L. Spanogle, of Roaring Springs, and with several of the other brethren that we had not seen for several years; upon the whole we were very favorably impressed with the convention and the place of meeting, Aleppo, Pa. Our love shall ever go back to the good brethren and sisters of Aleppo. May God bless them and keep them ever faithful is the prayer of your unworthy brother. I also had the pleasure of meeting our beloved sister Mary A. Snyder, of Gloversgap, W. Va. She told us of her trials and afflictions which she had passed through, which was sad for us to hear; but sister Snyder, it is through suffering we are made perfect; hold out faithful to the end, although isolated from the church of your choice, still keep praying and the Lord Jesus Christ is with you and will hear and answer your prayers, and the time will come when you will not be isolated, but you will have a congregation. Pray to this end in faith believing.

J. M. RITTER.

REVIVAL COMPLETED.

BRETHREN EVANGELIST will remember, a few weeks ago we began a revival meeting, and just as we were in the midst of the good work, our evangelist was taken suddenly ill, and called home. This was very ex-cruciating to us, for it left us in bad condition. But we did not yield to discouragement, for we know this world is full of disappointments and sadness; we looked to God as we only could do for help. So by the way, Bro. Livengood came on Thursday, the 11th, to finish up the meeting; during his stay here the weather was beautiful, and a better revival we have never experienced. It was one we shall not soon forget. Congregations were good. We feel we have been wonderfully blessed in God's work. The accessions were not so large, as have been other times but truly the good spirit was with us, for everyone expressed themselves, as it being a glorious meeting. Three precious souls came out to put on the robe of Christ and live for him with his Word to guide them safe until he comes to take them to that heavenly rest.

Six were baptized to wash away the sins and stains of their past life, and live anew for Jesus. In the early dawn of morning at seven o'clock one dear soul went down to the river to be buried in baptism, followed by fifteen sweet voices singing the songs of Zion. Who could behold a more beautiful sight than this? Monday evening the 22nd, thirty-one seated around the snowy white table in remembrance of the last supper of our Lord and Saviour. Bro. Livengood not only helped us in the church but also visited the Sisters' Society and gave us words of encouragement that were appreciated by all present. Bro. Livengood is a good teacher and instructor and we ask that God will bless him and his family. May their store house be well filled with baskets of good things, for this world and for the world to come.

We cannot thank Bro. Livengood and the good Mission Board enough for what they have done for us in the past few weeks. God will reward them for their goodness and may he continue his blessings upon us. We are in a better condition to build up a church and work for soul's salvation than we have ever been before. Our membership now consists of forty-eight. "Praise God from whom all blessings flow." We will be glad when the EVANGELIST comes again; it seems as if one of the family is gone.

MRS. ALICE J. HOLMES.

Oct. 23rd, 1894.

NOTICE.

The Brethren of Claypool will dedicate their new house to the service of God on the 11th day of November, 1894. Brother Hopkins will officiate in the services. A special invitation to all, especially to those surrounding us.

Yours in Christ,

JOHN TULLY.

FROM HAGERSTOWN, MD.

DEAR EVANGELIST:—Sunday evening, Oct. 21st, we held our first love feast in our Hagerstown church, and it was a grand one in every respect. Although it was thought by many to be impossible to hold a love feast in town, we have proved that it can be done and in a very quiet and solemn manner. This is not only our first love feast, but the first one ever held in Hagerstown. There were upward of one hundred communicants and the church was crowded with spectators while many came who were unable to gain admittance. Throughout the service the best order prevailed and observed our ordinances with respectful silence. One good old brother whose hair is of almost snowy whiteness is said to have remarked that it was the nicest love feast he had ever attended. Bro. Mackey commenced revival services Mon. evening following our love feast and has succeeded in attracting a well filled house. He expects to continue these services for an indefinite time and we feel he cannot but win some dying soul for the Saviour, with his all-powerful sermons.

BERTHA P. BYER

Hagerstown, Md., Oct. 25, 1894.

FROM NEW VIRGINIA, IA.

On the 6th of this month, brother Fetter Hall, of Mountour, Iowa, came here and preached twelve sermons in our church which greatly revived the church, and as a present result one sister made the good confession and was baptized, and we believe some more are counting the cost, and will come ere long.

Brother Hall is a power in word and doctrine. His manner and way of presenting the truth is convincing and forcible, that God-giving minds are made to think and consider.

M. J. THOMAS.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., Oct. 26, '94.

Our protracted meeting begins Sunday. We are developing a noble band of Christian workers. We can clearly see an increase in spirituality and zeal for Christ.

Our people not only indoctrinate themselves, but many of them advertise the Gospel alone doctrine wherever they go. This week we have a committee of twenty-five who will canvass each a square, ring the bells of the doors, invite them to church, and ascertain information concerning all the unconverted and those who do not attend Sunday school, and then they will hand me the numbers of their houses and such information as they may think I will need. Then each week during revival we will have a committee who will make calls among this class and thus labor for their attendance of church and conversion. The information will be valuable to me all this winter, and I will know who the unconverted are, and where they live. By thus working and putting out

five thousand circulars each week, with a prayerful personal invitation, we believe the Lord will bless our work. We do not hope for a great revival during the special service; we do truly hope to sow seed that God will give us a revival of religion that will last all winter, a gradual permanent work.

Here God's people must fight for every inch of ground, but we feel that a gradual and permanent work is being done. We ask every Christian who reads these lines to offer a word of faithful prayer for us, for our church and especially for this meeting.

ISAAC D. BOWMAN.

ZION'S HILL, O., Oct. 16, 1894.

We thought perhaps a short article from this place would be of interest to some. Quite a few of the brethren here attended the communion at Fair Haven, Oct. 6th, which was truly a love-feast. Such meetings strengthen our souls and fit us for further duties in life. And now brethren let us all "work while it is day for the night cometh wherein no man can labor." We had the pleasure of attending Children's day meeting at the G. B. Beech Grove church, Oct. 7th. Among other things we were pleased to hear that the Sunday school at G. B. is the fruit of Progressive planting some twenty years ago, with Bro. E. L. Yoder as Supt. Surely it is profitable to serve God rather than man.

J. W. FUNK.

Creston, O.

DEAR BRETHREN AND SISTERS:—We are taking the EVANGELIST, I like it real well. I think every church member should take it so that every one can see the good that is done. We have preaching once a month by Brother Bucklew. He has been very faithful to us and I hope he will do much good in the Master's cause. We had Brother S. H. Love with us last winter and we all were sorry to see him go away. We have written to him since he went home and have not received any answer, I don't know whether he got our letter or not; I hope we will soon hear from him. I hope the Lord will comfort him and his family and all of his believing children, is the prayer of your sister in Christ.

LIZZIE E. HOLLIS.

ALMENA, MICH., Oct. 22, 1894.

BRETHREN EVANGELIST:—To those who are seeking homes I would like to say that we would be glad to welcome the brothers and sisters here. We have a nice country here, and good farms can be bought quite reasonable. Anyone wishing to locate in Michigan, and will write us we will be glad to answer all inquiries.

JOHN J. SOLOMON.

Almena, Mich.

FROM MAPLEVILLE, MD.

The Brethren church at Mapleville, Md., will hold their communion meeting on Sunday, Nov. 11th, at 6 o'clock in the evening. All are invited.

L. P. GROSSNICKLE.